Drumatis personæ.

Baptista — Father to Katerina & Bianca

Gremio } Gentlemen of Padua
Hortensio }

Vincentio — Father to Lucentio

A Pedant

Petruchio a Gent of Verona come to Padua.

Lucentio a gent of Pisa come to Padua.

Tranio } Servt to Lucentio.
Biondello }

Grumio servant to Petruchio.

Curtis

Katerina } Baptistas Daughters
Bianca }

Widow

Servants to Petruchio

THE
Taming of the Shrew.

Actus primus. Scœna Prima.

Enter Begger and Hostes, Christophero Sly.

Begger.

I Le pheeze you infaith.

Host. A paire of stockes you rogue.

Beg. Y'are a baggage, the *Slies* are no Rogues. Looke in the Chronicles, wee came in with *Richard Conqueror*: therefore *Panca's pallabris*, let the world slide: Sessa.

Host. You will not pay for the glasses you haue burst?

Beg. No, not a denere: goe by *Ieronimie*, goe to thy cold bed, and warme thee.

Host. I know my remedie, I must goe fetch the Head-borough.

Beg. Third, or fourth, or fift Borough, Ile answere him by Law. Ile not budge an inch boy: Let him come and kindly.

Falles asleepe.

Winde hornes. Enter a Lord from hunting, with his traine.

Lo. Huntsman I charge thee, tender well my hounds,
Brach *Meriman*, the poore Curre is imbost.
And couple *Clowder* with the deepe mouth'd brach,
Saw'st thou not boy how *Siluer* made it good,
At the hedge corner, in the coldest fault,
I would not loose the dogge for twentie pound.

Hunts. Why *Belman* is as good as he my Lord,
He cried vpon it at the meerest losse,
And twice to day pick'd out the dullest sent,
Trust me I take him for the dogge.

Lord. Thou art a foole, if *Eccho* were as fleete,

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